

§ 589.8 Petition to extend period to file report.

A petition for extension of the time to submit a report must be received not later than 15 days before expiration of the time stated in § 589.6(b). The petition must be submitted to: Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590. The filing of a petition does not automatically extend the time for filing a report. A petition will be granted only if the petitioner shows good cause for the extension, and if the extension is consistent with the public interest.

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PART 590—BACK DOOR LATCH, HINGE, AND LOCK PHASE-IN REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

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§ 590.1 Scope.

This part establishes requirements for manufacturers of passenger cars and multipurpose passenger vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating of 4,536 kilograms (10,000 pounds) or less to respond to NHTSA inquiries, to submit reports, and maintain records related to such reports, concerning the number of such vehicles that meet the back door latch, hinge, and lock requirements of Standard No. 206, *Door locks and door retention components* (49 CFR 571.206).

§ 590.2 Purpose.

The purpose of these reporting requirements is to aid the NHTSA in determining whether a manufacturer of passenger cars and multipurpose passenger vehicles with a gross vehicle

weight rating of 4,536 kilograms (10,000 pounds) or less has complied with the back door latch, hinge, and lock requirements of Standard No. 206.

§ 590.3 Applicability.

This part applies to manufacturers of passenger cars and multipurpose passenger vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating of 4,536 kilograms (10,000 pounds) or less. However, this part does not apply to those motor vehicles excluded from the requirements of Standard No. 206.

§ 590.4 Definitions.

(a) All terms defined in 49 U.S.C. 30102 are used in their statutory meanings.

(b) Gross vehicle weight rating, multipurpose passenger vehicle, and passenger car are used as defined in § 571.3 of this chapter.

(c) *Production year* means the 12-month period between September 1 of one year and August 31 of the following year, inclusive.

§ 590.5 Response to inquiries.

During the production year ending August 31, 1998, each manufacturer shall, upon request from the Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance, this agency, provide information regarding which vehicle makes/models are certified as complying with the provisions of S4 and S5, Standard No. 206.

§ 590.6 Reporting requirements.

(a) *General reporting requirements.* Within 60 days after the end of the production year ending August 31, 1998, each manufacturer shall submit a report to NHTSA concerning the manufacturer's compliance with the latch, hinge, and lock requirements of this standard for the back doors of its passenger cars and multipurpose passenger vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating of 4,536 kilograms (10,000 pounds or less) produced in that year. Each report shall:

- (1) Identify the manufacturer;
- (2) State the full name, title, and address of the official responsible for preparation of the report;
- (3) Identify the production year being reported on;